

## THE BIG EXCURSION.

## FINAL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

All Reports in and Arrangements Complete for Properly Receiving the People Who Will Visit the Metropolis of Texas.

The final meeting of the excursion executive committee occurred yesterday afternoon at the Post editorial rooms and all the arrangements were completed as far as that committee is concerned, for receiving the excursionists and assuring them a good time while here.

Mr. H. Packard reported collections, and also stated that the pyrotechnic display would take place Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Messrs. C. Crawford, A. Stude and Charles Hotten have this display in their hands. The committee has been engaged, and under the direction of Mr. Packard will meet the trains at 10 o'clock Friday afternoon and will play at Market square until 8 p. m. during the fireworks display. On Saturday the band will be on duty from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. at the Post office, and from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. at whatever points desired, including the firemen's parade and the market display.

The last excursion, intended to take excursionists to Houston Heights and to the various municipalities, will leave the Grand Central depot at 8 a. m. Saturday and return in time for the display by the fire department.

The display by the fire department, under command of Chief T. H. Martin, will occur Saturday from 11 o'clock to 1 p. m. Mayor Browne, chairman of the committee, has added to that committee the foremen of the various companies. There is a great rivalry between the companies, and a fine display of the working qualities of the different companies is expected, including a test of the new lance lance streamer.

All tickets for the market will be open, and Market Master Ferguson and his committee promise that the decorations shall be fine, including a magnificent collection of good things on the stands and at the stands. An appropriation of \$50 was made by the committee for the market and such things.

The street car parade will be quite a novelty and something which will interest the citizens of Houston have not seen. General Manager McGregor of the electric line and Mr. Laidson are considering this feature, which, as before suggested, will be novel and attractive.

The chairman of the committee on decorations suggested, as the committee had found it impossible to do all the business, that they be requested through the press to decorate their windows and to illuminate their homes Friday evening.

Mr. J. H. Wright reported that the electric light company had agreed to place on Main street, from 10th to 12th, a number of incandescent lights, at a cost of \$10 each. All these have been taken and a number of others are wanted.

A report was received from Colonel O. A. Carter and Mr. John Howard of the Omaha and South Texas Land and Improvement company that they had been compelled to leave active work in connection with the excursion, and they were engaged in something more profitable, but of equal benefit to Houston.

Notices were received from Messrs. Prince & Hamilton of the Magnolia brewery, and from Mr. Louis Illner, secretary of the American Brewing association, that their establishments would keep open house while the excursionists are here, and extending a cordial invitation to all to inspect the works and sample the product. The secretary was asked to return suitable replies to these notices, copying the invitation on behalf of the excursionists.

Mr. Laidson reported contract for building for the excursion committee, and Mr. Ryan announced that he would have "Klump and Post" badges prepared for the excursionists.

Messrs. Herr, Hump Cook and Warner were appointed a committee to see Mr. Walter Erickson regarding a notice for the Court House square during the fireworks display.

The committee reported on accommodations. The list as heretofore published is as follows: The Post was submitted, with the following additions:

Mrs. J. W. Barnes, corner Texas avenue and Smith, lodging for six at 50 cents each.

Mrs. Robert Burns, 1304 Main street, lodging for two at 75 cents each.

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Both sides of Third street from Main street to Washington street, to be six feet wide. The street from Washington street to Main street, to be six feet wide.

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## AROUND THE COURTS.

## S. F. ROSS ACQUITTED OF ASSAULT.

The Jury Out Only a Few Minutes. Transfer of Misdemeanor Cases to Justice Courts—Interesting Divorce Proceedings.

Criminal District Court—Judge E. D. Cavin presiding; J. K. P. Gillespie, district attorney; B. K. Ash, clerk; John D. Ash, deputy; George Ellis, sheriff.

In this court yesterday the chief item of interest was the trial of S. F. Ross on a charge of assault to murder. The circumstances of the difficulty were published at the time of the occurrence. After examination of witnesses and argument the jury was out only a few minutes in arriving at a verdict of not guilty.

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William Cramer, disorderly house, complaint quashed.

Amelia Johnson, bond forfeited for \$50. G. A. Bailey and Frank Dunn sureties.

J. A. Cotton, theft from person; continued by State.

Jack Moon, exhibiting gaming, two cases; \$25 fine and ten days imprisonment.

E. J. Collins, assault to murder; continued by State.

Joseph E. Harris, murder; case continued by agreement, and set by agreement for Tuesday of the second week of the February term of court.

Frank Sparks, murder, on change of venue from Wharton county; continued by State.

The grand jury returned six bills of indictment.

Justice Schwaner's court.

Lamar cases—W. A. Rankin, George Gallagher, F. A. Meyer, C. F. Saunders.

Disorderly house cases—Mary Reynolds, Carrie Brown, Nick Moore, Emma Brown, Sallie Coman, Percy House, Creedy Davis, Bill Davis, Eliza Saunders, et al.

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